IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Gil M. Vardi et al.	Examiner: Ali Imam
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PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2006, said period of response being extended from April 13, 2006 to May 15, 2006 (Monday).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of $60.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being filed using the USPTO's electronic filing system EFS-Web, and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 12th day of May ~~2006~~.

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